titioner and teacher. Many of the signs of physical diagnosis, named after the original describer, are easily forgotten and with difficulty sought out, here may be found the complete summary of of all these signs, easy to reach and to rapidly review.

A few criticisms of the author's style and handling of his subject matter may be made. There is a splendid epitome of the polygraph with complete interpretations of the graphic tracings produced, but unfortunately, the author has seen fit to dismiss sphygmomanometry with but a few lines. The addition of the appendix seems to be unnecessary. Clinical laboratory methods are much better left to the larger works on this subject. In the explanations of the methods of laboratory procedure, there is a tendency to be too brief, so that they are of little value except for the seasoned laboratory man. As an example of excessive brevity, we find no mention of the use of glacial acetic acid in the benzidine test for occult blood.

While a few other minor criticisms might be made, in its entirety the book is a clean cut, complete exposition of an important subject.

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Manual of Cystoscopy. By J. Bentley Squier, M.D., Professor of Genito-urinary Surgery, New York Post-Graduate Medical School and Hospital and Henry G. Bugbee, M.D., Instructor in Genito-urinary Surgery, New York Post-Graduate Medical School and Hospital. Pp. 117; 26 illustrations. New York: Paul B. Hoeber, 1911.

This small volume has been prepared to meet the demands of students for a short, practical work on cystoscopy. With this object in view, the authors have eliminated detail, confining themselves to a concise but clear description of cystoscopic technique, normal as well as pathological bladder pictures and ureteral catheterization. The illustrations are unusually well executed and in several instances schemtatic drawings are included to further elucidate the colored plates. The book can be highly recommended to the beginner in this line of work.

F. E. K.

Radium. Its Physics and Therapeutics. By Dawson Turner, B.A., M.D., F.R.C.P., (Edin.) M.R.C.P. (Lond.), F.R.S. (Edin.). Lecturer on Medical Physics, Surgeons' Hall, Edinburgh, etc. Pp. 86; 27 illustrations. New York: William Wood & Co., 1911.

The author's objects in presenting this publication are: (1) To give, in a concise form, to those of the medical profession inter-

ested in the subject, but unfamiliar with it, a brief outline of the discoveries, investigations, and published works of physicists of the highest recognized authority along the line of radioactivity. (2) To explain briefly the physiologic action, therapeutic effects, and therapeutic applications of radium, and the methods of employing it as a therapeutic agent. (3) To show the results in general that have followed its use, and the results of the author's own experience in radiotherapy during a period of five years. This book would be found especially valuable to anyone unfamiliar with the subject who might wish to obtain a general idea of any part or all of it in a comparatively short time. H. K. P.

GYNECOLOGICAL THERAPEUTICS. By S. JERVOIS AARONS, M.D. (Edin.), M.R.C.P. (Lond.), Gynecologist to St. Anthony's Hospital; Fellow of the Royal Society of Medicine, Member of Obstetric and Gynecologic Sections; Formerly Registrar and Pathologist to the Hospital for Women, Soho Square; Gynecological Tutor, Extra-mural School of Medicine, Edinburgh; House-surgeon, Gynecological Ward, Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh. With foreword by SIR HALLIDAY CROOM, M.D., F.R.C.P., F.R.C.S., Professor of Midwifery in the University of Edinburgh. Pp. 178; 43 illustrations. New York: William Wood & Co., 1910.

THIS book of 178 pages deals solely with the medical treatment of gynecological affections. The author has taken up the various lesions in a systematic manner, and briefly but clearly outlines measures which his own experience has proved of value. Numerous prescriptions are included as well as definite instructions concerning local applications and the use of pessaries. The book presents a comprehensive review of modern gynecological therapeutics and will be of distinct service to the general practitioner for whom it is intended. F. E. K.

VICIOUS CIRCLES IN DISEASE. By JAMIESON B. HENRY, M.A., M.D., Ex-President, Reading Pathological Society. Pp. 186; 10 pages illustrative diagrams. Philadelphia: P. Blakiston's Son & Co., 1911.

THIS little monograph is a distinctly novel and interesting contribution to medical literature, and one is at once impressed by